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OVERLAPPING CAROUSELS

PATENT

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Responsive to the Examiner's Requirement for election of species in the above referenced matter, mailed May 5, 2006, please enter the following Response and request for reconsideration of the requirement.